

PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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<b>For:</b> BLUNT EDGE DOUGH CUTTER	<b>Docket No.</b> 50993-226862



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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 19, 2000, requiring restriction of the application. The position was taken that the claims are directed to two distinct inventions. In particular, Group I, claims 1-57 and 59, are drawn to a dough-cutting apparatus and method of use, and Group II, claim 58, is drawn to a baked dough product.

The applicant hereby elects to prosecute Group I, claims 1-57 and 59. This election is made without traverse.

Examination of the elected claims is respectfully requested.

No fee is believed to be necessary in connection with this communication. However, should any fee be required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 06-0029 and notify us of the same.

Respectfully Submitted,

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